

Influx of Refugees Into Indian Territory

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that influx of refugees across the Indian borders have increased drastically during the last three months;
- (b) if so, what are the details of refugees entered into Indian territory from Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh;
- (c) what is the estimated cost of expenditure on these refugees incurred by the Government; and
- (d) what steps are being taken to deport these refugees to their parent countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) No Sir. There is no drastic influx of refugees into India from across the borders during the last three months. However, there are reports that some Bangladeshi nationals belonging to minority communities have entered into India.

(b) As per reports, about 851 Bangladeshis have entered into India during last three months. As far as Afghan and Pakistani nationals are concerned, no illegal influx is noticed. They are entering the country on valid visas issued by our missions abroad.

(c) The Government of India is not incurring any expenditure on Afghan, Bangladesh and Pakistan refugees.

(d) As and when illegal migrants are found they are deported as per the provisions of Foreigners Act. Powers have been delegated to all the State Governments/UTs to detect and deport the illegal immigrants.